



## U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

# Audubon

## *National Wildlife Refuge*

### *Ice Fishing Information*

#### Welcome

Audubon National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) is managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The Refuge is one of over 535 refuges in the National Wildlife Refuge System -- a network of lands set aside to conserve wildlife and habitat for people today and for generations to come.

#### Refuge Information

The Refuge office and visitor center is open from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday, except holidays.

The northern portion of Lake Audubon is managed by the North Dakota Game and Fish Department. The southern portion is managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Audubon NWR, and has different regulations and restrictions than the northern portion.

Both North Dakota Game and Fish Department and Refuge fishing regulations must be observed at all times on the Refuge.

Ice fishing is permitted when ice covers the water. Fish houses must be removed from the Refuge by March 15. Portable fish houses can continue to be used if they are removed daily. The Refuge closes to ice fishing March 31.

All vehicles, including snowmobiles and all-terrain vehicles, must stay on public roads and use designated ice access points only.

#### Ice Access Points

There are six designated ice access points where vehicles may access the ice.

Ice access points are marked with brown signs. See map for designated ice access points.

Ice access points often drift closed with snow and will not be plowed open. Please use caution when using these access points.

#### Ice Safety Information

Traveling on Lake Audubon ice is always hazardous and requires caution and common sense.

Thin ice or open water may exist near springs and pressure ridges throughout the winter.

Travel across the ice only on safe routes you or others have established this year.

Be very cautious at night. Be alert to changing weather conditions.

#### Accessibility Information

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*This goose, designed by J.N. "Ding" Darling, has become the symbol of the National Wildlife Refuge System.*